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Dallas Drops JFK Service

DALLAS, Nov. 17 (UPI)— The city where President John F. Kennedy was assassinated 13 years ago next Monday has canceled this year's memorial service at the assassination site because of declining local interest, the mayor's office said today.

Mayor Robert Folsom wrote the Greater Dallas Council of Churches, sponsor of the event, requesting the change because each year fewer people take part in the ceremony, mayor's aide David Miller said.

The city had observed the assassination at the Kennedy Memorial Plaza one block from where Kennedy was shot on Nov. 22, 1963.

"It was getting so we had more organizers than participants. We thought we could reach more people through their individual houses of worship rather than asking people to journey to the site," Miller said.